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Local Boards

Alleged irregularities in the Markapur Taluk Board.

* 1755 Q.—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government auditors have drawn the attention of the taluk and district boards concerned and of the Government to the irregularities of the Taluk Board of Markapur, Kurnool district, in regard to—

(1) expenditure in excess of the allotted amount on furniture,

(2) irregular payment of teachers,

(3) the unauthorized arrangement by which teachers were asked to receive their pay from a private individual by name Manchikanti Subbanna,

(4) the payment to teachers on a scale of pay less than that on which the Government grant was based and made during the last three years,

(b) if so, in what month and year respectively ; and

(c) when the explanations to the same were called for and furnished by the President, Taluk Board?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) Certain irregularities in regard to the maintenance of accounts relating to the Elementary Education Fund discovered in the course of the audit of the accounts for 1927–28 including points (1), (2) and (3) referred to in clause (a) of the question have been brought to the notice of Government by the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts. The report was sent by the Examiner to the President, Taluk Board, towards the end of November 1928. The replies furnished by the President were approved by the Taluk Board on 16th October 1929 and forwarded to the Inspector of Local Fund Accounts in December 1929. The report is now under the consideration of Government.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" The answer given by the hon. Minister covers only irregularities referred to in items (1), (2) and (3) of clause (a), but item (4) of the clause has not been answered. I ask the hon. Minister whether payment was not made to the Markapur Taluk Board teachers on the scale of pay on which the Government grant was made ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" The Government are considering the question."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Will the hon. Minister call for the information, Sir ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" Yes, Sir."

Alleged irregular payment of the salaries of teachers by Local Boards.

* 1756 Q.—Mr. K. V. Suryanarayana Ayyar : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether in schools under the management of the Local Boards, the salaries of teachers are not paid regularly even after the Government contribution is received ;